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#### ERRATA

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Page 1, line 77, for "cladidng" read "cladding"

Page 2, line 47, for "on to" read "onto"

Page 2, line 70, after "said" (first occurrence) insert "first end webs, and securing a second set of said plaster board sheets with said lined faces in engagement with said"

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cross-section presenting first and second
spaced and oppositely facing end webs, and
each of said first and second end webs having
a recess therein for receiving and retaining
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one face thereof with metal foil, fastening

means engaging with said recesses in said first and second end webs, said fastening 30 means securing a first set of said plaster-board sheets with said lined faces in engagement with said first end webs, and securing a second set of said plasterboard sheets with said lined faces in engagement with said \$5 second and webs said first end second set of said plasterboard sheets with said \$6 second and webs said first end second set of said first end second second set of said first end second second

35 second end webs, said first and second sets of plasterboard sheets defining a mould cavity between the lined faces thereof, and a core of concrete set in said cavity, said upright members being embedded in said core.

The invention will be more clearly understood from the following description of an illustrative embodiment thereof, and the accompanying drawing, which is an isometric

could take forms for example, a fattice structure, other than as shown. The outer edges of the flanges 3 are inturned at 5.

The base 8 on which the stanchions 1 are erected suitably comprises a pre-moulded 65 concrete foundation beam, as shown in Figure 2, which underlies the wall. The beam 8 rests on foundation pad 21 or other suitable foundation, for example, short bored piles. The stanchions 1 are secured to the beam 8 70 by angle brackets 22 which are bolted into holes in the beam preformed at suitable spacings.

When the stanchions 1 are in place, sheets of cladding material 25 are applied and 75 secured to them.

The cladiding material 25 comprises prelaminated plasterboard which is fixed to the end webs by means of self-tapping screws (not shown) which engage in the screw gaps 80 6. Non-fines concrete 24 is then poured in and hand compacted to ensure that the cavity is completely filled. This effectively completes the construction steps, the concrete now being merely allowed to set hard 85 and the external surfaces of the cladding

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We, TRUSTEEL CORPORATION (UNIVERSAL)
LIMITED, of Gate House, The High, Harlow,
Essex, a British Company, do hereby declare
the invention, for which we pray that a
5 patent may be granted to us, and the method
by which it is to be performed, to be particularly described in and by the following
statement:—

The present invention relates to wall conto structions formed from concrete.

An object of the present invention is to provide a wall, for example, a party wall, which can be load bearing, and which has good sound and heat-insulating properties.

15 It is also an object to provide a wall which has cladding material on both surfaces.

The present invention accordingly provides a wall construction comprising a plurality of upright members set in a com-20 mon base, each of said members having a cross-section presenting first and second spaced and oppositely facing end webs, and each of said first and second end webs having a recess therein for receiving and retaining 25 fastening means, cladding, comprising prelaminated plasterboard sheets, each lined on one face thereof with metal foil, fastening means engaging with said recesses in said first and second end webs, said fastening 30 means securing a first set of said plasterboard sheets with said lined faces in engagement with said first end webs, and securing a second set of said plasterboard sheets with said lined faces in engagement with said 35 second end webs, said first and second sets of plasterboard sheets defining a mould cavity between the lined faces thereof, and a core of concrete set in said cavity, said upright members being embedded in said core.

The invention will be more clearly understood from the following description of an illustrative embodiment thereof, and the accompanying drawing, which is an isometric view of a party wall according to the invention. The framework for the wall comprises 45 a series of stanchions or uprights 1, suitably of steel, which are mounted on a suitable base or foundation 8 and which reach to a ceiling level at which they support a beam (not shown). This beam may in turn support 50 uprights similar to the uprights 1 for the second storey.

Each of the uprights 1 is an I-section girder. The end webs forming the lateral edges of the girder each comprise a pair of 55 aligned flanges 3 which are spaced apart to provide a gap or channel 6 for a purpose described below. The part of the centre web 4 inwardly of the portions providing the channels 6, is an openwork structure, which 60 could take forms for example, a lattice structure, othen than as shown. The outer edges of the flanges 3 are inturned at 5.

The base 8 on which the stanchions 1 are erected suitably comprises a pre-moulded 65 concrete foundation beam, as shown in Figure 2, which underlies the wall. The beam 8 rests on foundation pad 21 or other suitable foundation, for example, short bored piles. The stanchions 1 are secured to the beam 8 70 by angle brackets 22 which are bolted into holes in the beam preformed at suitable spacings.

When the stanchions 1 are in place, sheets of cladding material 25 are applied and 75 secured to them.

The cladiding material 25 comprises prelaminated plasterboard which is fixed to the end webs by means of self-tapping screws (not shown) which engage in the screw gaps 80 6. Non-fines concrete 24 is then poured in and hand compacted to ensure that the cavity is completely filled. This effectively completes the construction steps, the concrete now being merely allowed to set hard 85 and the external surfaces of the cladding

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being eventually decorated as desired. Further storey heights can be cast subsequently in a similar way. It will be appreciated that the cladding material 25 must 5 be made impervious to the moisture in the no-fines concrete as this will otherwise creep through the material and spoil the external face. Thus the pre-laminated plasterboard mentioned above is provided on its inner 10 surface 26 with a layer of metal foil, which additionally functions to provide a degree of thermal insulation.

The channels 6 may be sealed, for example, by being plugged with "NEO-15 PRENE" or other suitable sealing material, or by being covered by a siutable selfadhesive tape. Such sealing means can be applied to the stanchions during the manufacturing stage. If tape is used, it need never 20 be removed, as screws or like securing means can readily penetrate it.

When the wall extends to an outer face of the building, the end of the mould cavity at this face can be closed by applying a 25 permanent external cladding member, in the form of an upright connected to panels 23 or by means of such panels.

After the concrete wall has been built up to the first floor, the moulding operation is 36 repeated on the next floor and may be further repeated on any further floors.

The openwork structure of the stanchions permits continuity of the concrete for the length and height of the wall.

Among the advantages afforded by the invention, is that no temporary scaffolding has to be erected for forming the wall. The stanchions, which constitute the framework of the building itself, take the place of temporary scaffolding besides providing when

40 porary scaffolding besides providing, when once embedded into the core, reinforcement for the concrete.

The invention is particularly but not exclusively applicable to the construction of

party walls, for example, between semi-45 detached or terraced houses having a steel or other frame structure on to which cladding material is required to be applied. The invention provides in such an application a party wall with good heat and sound insulation properties and which is also resistant to fire. The invention also provides a party wall which is load bearing, so that it can support flooring and roofing elements.

WHAT WE CLAIM IS: -55 1. A wall construction comprising a plurality of upright members set in a common base, each of said members having a cross-section presenting first and second spaced and oppositely facing end webs, and 60 each of said first and second end webs having a recess therein for receiving and retaining fastening means, cladding, comprising prelaminated plasterboard sheets, each lined on one face thereof with metal foil, fastening 65 means engaging with said recesses in said first and second end webs, said fastening means securing a first set of said plasterboard sheets with said lined faces in engagement with said second end webs, said first 70 and second sets of plasterboard sheets defining a mould cavity between the lined faces thereof, and a core of concrete set in said cavity, said upright members being embedded in said core.

2. A wall construction as claimed in Claim 1, wherein the concrete is no-fines concrete.

3. A wall construction substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to the 80 accompanying drawing.

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